

## Lewis & Clark Public Library

#### **BTOP Public Computing Center Goals and Objectives**

Montana's project promotes three BTOP statutory purposes:

- provide improved access to broadband service to consumers residing in underserved areas of the country;
- 2) provide broadband education, awareness, training, access, equipment, and support to libraries; and,
- 3) stimulate the demand for broadband, economic growth, and job creation.

#### **Objectives**

- 1) increase broadband speeds at participating libraries up to 21 mbps;
- cut wait times in half by increasing the total number of workstations and expanding library operation hours;
- improve access by purchasing ADA compliant software, hardware, and furniture, and through minor renovation projects aimed at increasing accessibility of computing center facilities;
- 4) offer courses to increase computer literacy; and
- provide Internet and library resources to rural Montana using a mobile computer lab.

# Successes

Internet Service Provider	Original Broadband Speed	Current Speed (mbps)
Montana Internet Corporation/Quest	1.50	7.00

### Lewis & Clark Public Library Computing Center Now Offers...

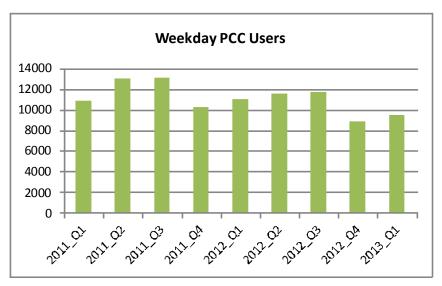
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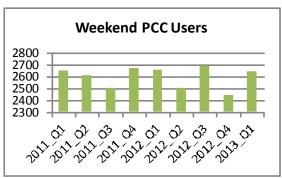
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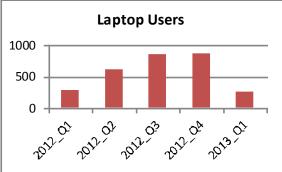


- We are a member of the Helena Brewers Kids Club and as such attend games to promote library services, reaching hundreds.
- We celebrated The Big Read Under the Big Sky in September and October - Outreach included Kids Fall Fest - Helena Education Foundation Classic Carnival - St. Pete's Health Fair -Reached over 1,500 people.
- Highlighted BTOP and Library.Next Campaign during monthly radio spot on KBLL Coffee Talk, including new laptop checkout service.
- > Front page article in the Helena Independent Record highlighting BTOP laptops and laptop checkout; also vast array of online services and downloadable E-Audio/E-Book consorti-

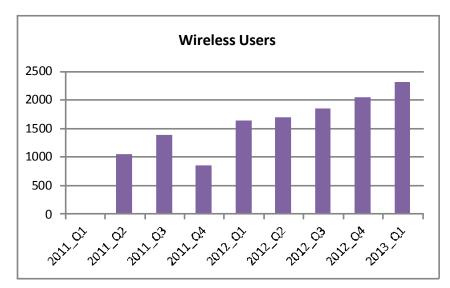
#### Public Computer Center Usage







## Patrons who have taken advantage of public wireless access



# Benefitting from Technology Training

Length of Program (per hour basis)	Number of Patron Training Hours	Number of Library Staff Training Hours
290.45	3970	171